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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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GARY S. ROUBIN, GEOFFREY HAMILTON WHITE, SRIRAM S. IYER, RUSSELL J. REDMOND, and CLAUDE A. VIDAL Junior Party

(Patent Nos. 5,827,321, 6,475,236 and 6,106,548)

v.

PAUL H. BURMEISTER, CHARLES L. EUTENEUER, BRIAN J. BROWN, PAUL J. FORDENBACHER, and ANTHONY C. VRBA

Senior Party (Application 09/427,291)

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Patent Interference No. 105,794 (JL) (Technology Center 3700)

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DECLARATION – Bd.R. 203(b) 1

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;Bd.R. x" may be used as shorthand for "37 C.F.R. § 41.x". 69 Fed. Reg. 49960, 49961 (12 Aug. 2004).

- 1 Part A. Declaration of interference
- 2 An interference is declared (35 U.S.C. § 135(a)) between the above-
- 3 identified parties. Details of the application(s), patent (if any), reissue application
- 4 (if any), count(s) and claims designated as corresponding or as not corresponding
- 5 to the count(s) appear in Parts E and F of this DECLARATION.
- 6 Part B. Judge managing the interference
- 7 Administrative Patent Judge Jameson Lee has been designated to manage
- 8 the interference. Bd. R. 104(a).
- 9 Part C. Standing order
- A Trial Section STANDING ORDER [SO] (Paper 2) accompanies this
- 11 DECLARATION. The STANDING ORDER applies to this interference.
- 12 Part D. Initial conference call
- A telephone conference call to discuss the interference is set for 2:00 p.m.
- 14 (Eastern) on April 5, 2011 (the Board will initiate the call).
- No later than four business days prior to the conference call, each party
- shall file and serve (SO ¶¶ 10.1 & 105) a list of the motions (Bd. R. 120; Bd.
- 17 R. 204; SO ¶¶ 104.2.1, 120 & 204) the party intends to file.
- A sample schedule for taking action during the motion phase appears as
- 19 Form 2 in the STANDING ORDER. Counsel are encouraged to discuss the
- schedule prior to the conference call and to agree on dates for taking action. A
- 21 typical motion period lasts approximately eight (8) months. Counsel should be
- 22 prepared to justify any request for a shorter or longer period.

1	Part E. Identification and order of the parties		
2		Junior Party	
3 4 5 6 7 8	Named Inventors:	Gary S. Roubin, Birmingham, Alabama Geoffrey Hamilton White, Sydney, Australia Sriram S. Iyer, Birmingham, Alabama Russell J. Redmond, Goleta, California Claude A. Vidal, Santa Barbara, California	
9 10 11 12 13 14	Involved Patents:	U.S. Patent No. 5,827,321, issued October 27, 1998; U.S. Patent No. 6,475,236, issued November 5, 2002; and U.S. Patent No. 6,106,548, issued August 22, 2000	
15 16 17	Title:	NON-FORESHORTENING INTRALUMINAL PROSTHEISIS	
18 19 20	Assignee:	ENDOSYSTEMS, LLC <u>Senior Party</u>	
21 22 23 24 25 26	Named Inventors:	Paul H. Burmeister, Maple Grove, Minnesota Charles L. Euteneuer, St. Michael, Minnesota Brian J. Brown, Hanover, Minnesota Paul J. Fordenbacher, Minneapolis, Minnesota Anthony C. Vrba, Maple Grove, Minnesota	
27 28 29	Involved Application:	Application No. 09/427,291, filed October 26, 1999	
30 31 32	Title:	IMPROVED TISSUE SUPPORTING DEVICES	
33	Assignee:	BOSTON SCIENTIFIC SCIMED, INC.	

1	The senior party is assigned exh	nibit numbers 1001-1999. The junior party
2	is assigned exhibit numbers 2001-299	9. Bd. R. 154(c)(1); SO ¶ 154.2.1. The
3	senior party is responsible for initiating	g settlement discussions. SO ¶ 126.1.
4	Part F. Count and claims of t	he parties
5	(	Count 1
6	Claim 1 of Roubir	n's Patent No. 5,827,321
7		or
8	Claim 22 of Burmeister	's Application No. 09/427,291
9	The claims of the parties are:	
10	Roubin '321:	1- 54
11	Roubin '236:	1-25
12	Roubin '548:	1-12
13	Burmeister:	22-32 and 34
14	The claims of the parties which	correspond to Count 1 are:
15	Roubin '321:	1- 54
16	Roubin '236:	1-25
17	Roubin '548:	1-12
18	Burmeister:	22 -32 and 34
19	The claims of the parties which	do not correspond to Count 1, and therefore
20	are not involved in the interference, ar	e:
21	Roubin '321:	none
22	Roubin '236:	none
23	Roubin '548:	none
24	Burmeister:	none

1	The parties are accorded the following benefit for the Count:		
2	Roubin:	Patent No. 5,827,321, based on Application No.	
3		08/797,814, filed February 7, 1997; and	
4		Patent No. 6,106,548, based on Application No.	
5		09/179,021, filed October 26, 1998	
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7	Burmeister:	Application No. 08/737,492, filed March 19,	
8		1997, now Patent No. 6,582,461;	
9		PCT/US95/06228, filed May 18, 1995;	
10		08/246,320, filed May 19, 1994	

1 2	Part G. Heading to be used on papers
3	The following heading must be used on all papers filed in this interference
4	see SO ¶ 106.1.1:

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1	Part H. Order form for requesting file copies
2	When requesting copies of files, use of SO Form 4 will greatly expedite
3	processing of the request. Please attach a copy of Parts E and F of this
4	DECLARATION with a hand-drawn circle around the patents and applications
5	for which a copy of a file wrapper is requested.
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7	/Jameson Lee/
8	Administrative Patent Judge
9	Enc:
10	Copy of STANDING ORDER
11	Copy U.S. Patent Nos. 5,827,321, 6,475,236, and 6,106,548
12	Copy of claims of Application 09/427,291
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14	Revised 3 January 2006

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